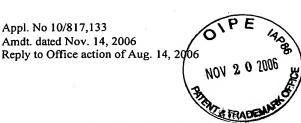
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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 14, 2006, the term to respond extends to November 14, 2006. Please enter this amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.